

Braunston Village News

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National Starch Site Development

After much negotiation the Bryant Homes scheme has finally been given planning permission. The three storey block of flats, planned for the top of the site, overlooking Welton Road, has now been reduced to two storeys, divided into two units and redesigned to be more in sympathy with the village setting and the adjacent listed buildings.

Many villagers have expressed an interest in the development, which consists of 55 new dwellings together with the conversion of Eastfield House (the main office block) to 4 dwellings. Included in the 55 new dwellings will be 9, one and two bed affordable social housing properties for rent. Those trees on the site which have preservation orders and are in sound condition will be protected and retained. Those not in sound condition will be replaced by semi mature trees, which will be given preservation orders.

The applicant has been requested to route construction traffic via the A361 to minimise lorry movements through the village.

If you would like to see the site plan, please contact Janet McCarthy on 890336 or Steve Rolt on 890241, to arrange a convenient time.

Jetty Field and the spinney, together with the old allotments, will be transferred to the Parish Council, together with £10,000 for future maintenance, two months after work commences on the site.

New Bus Route

After years of pressure from the Parish Council and your District Councillor, the bus service to Ashby Road and Spinney Hill is being restored. There will be two new bus stops, one on each road.

The original service was withdrawn because congested car parking prevented the bus from negotiating Ashby Road and the junction between Spinney Hill and Welton Road was difficult to negotiate due to road levels. However two recent trial runs met with no such difficulties with parked cars and the new junction at Welton Road has smoothed out the levels so Amos Coaches have agreed to restore the service.

Residents are asked to be considerate when parking to allow the bus a clear run. The new service will be of great benefit to those living on the hill, particularly pensioners but it will be a case of use it or lose it. The new service starts on Monday 28th April.

.....and more about busses



Braunston is fortunate to have a good bus service. It's convenient and good for the environment. As an encouragement to use, latest government policy, entitles all men over 60, as well as women, to **bus**

tokens or passes. This is a right and is not dependent on being on benefit or a pension. If you are eligible and wish to take advantage of the scheme, please contact Janet McCarthy on 890336 for an application form.



**All Saints' Church
Braunston**

Parish Priest :
Rev. Claire Rose-Casemore
890235
(Rest day: Fridays)

Churchwardens:
Charles Dunn 812143
Sheila Rowley 890559

CHURCH SERVICES
(See inside for other Church events)

Sunday 4th May
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST
6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 11th May
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am 'HOPE AND HOMES'
FAMILY SERVICE

Monday 12th May
2.15pm Little Fishers (0-5s)
in the Church Parish Room.

Wednesday 14th May
7.45pm PCC in the Parish Room

Sunday 18th May
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST
6.30pm Team Evensong at Ashby

Monday 19th May
2.15pm Little Fishers
in the Church Parish Room.

Sunday 25th May
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

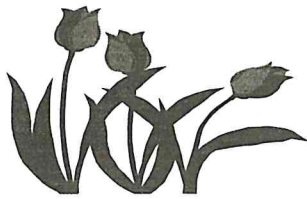
Monday 26th May
2.15pm Little Fishers
in the Church Parish Room.

Thursday 29th May
7.30pm *Ascension-day*
Team Service at Welton

BVN Deadline

Please leave material for the
June edition
at the Post Office before 5 pm
Friday 23rd May 2003
or by e-mail to steve@rolt.net

Braunston Village Gardens Association



Bring & Buy

PLANT SALE

Saturday 3rd May

9.00 - 11.00 am

On the Village Green

**BEDDING & HANGING BASKET PLANTS,
PERENNIALS & ANNUALS**

and coming soon.....

OPEN GARDENS DAY

**On Sunday 6th July between 1pm and 5pm, nine gardens in
the village will open in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief.**

Watch out for further details next month.

If you would like to be involved, please contact
Jean Dibben on 890515.

Daytime Courses at Braunston Village Hall

We are trying to find out if there are people interested in attending courses at the Hall during the day-time.

These would be small groups, and the following subjects may be available:

arts & crafts,
decoupage
flower arranging
computers
languages
DIY
health & beauty

Are you interested? If so call Lynne (890865) or Clare (07929 048396).

The Dick Herne Braunston History Society

The Open Day on 29th March was a great success - particular thanks for all the information and material provided, especially the vast quantity of items relating to Braunston's sporting activities.

Forthcoming events:-

Walk 1 Monday 5th May. Meet at 10.00 am at the Stop House.

This will cover the western section of the village, including The Wharf, Manor Field, High Street from Westfield House to Cross Lane and Nibbits Lane. 1 - 2 miles. 2 - 3 hours.

To be led by Alan Mees.

Walk 2 Monday 26th May. Meet at 10.00 am at the Stop House. To cover the canal from the turn to the tunnel. 3 - 4 miles total (including return to the Stop House) About 3 hours. Led by Clive Goodchild.

Walk 3 Sunday 22nd June. Meet at 10.00 am outside the Village Hall. To cover the eastern section of the village / High Street including the Green and the canal from Butcher's bridge to Bottom Lock. About 3 miles and about 3 hours.

To be led by Chris Pardoe.

For further details contact Chris Pardoe on 890448 between 6th May and 20th July

**Letters
to the
Editor**



Dear Sir

Dogs

It is with regret that I have to write to the BVN for the first time highlighting a little problem that we cannot ignore.

Dogs are still fouling the pavement along the High St and especially the entry that links Church Rd with the High St. It is a real shame that irresponsible dog owners spoil it for the responsible ones who clean up after their pets.

Lets clean up our village!

from: h.m.w@btinternet.com



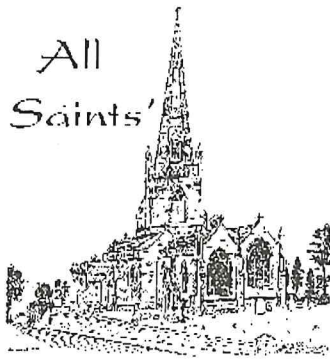
Barbara Fletcher
writes:

I would like to thank everyone for their cards, kindness and support over the past few weeks.

Derek's popularity was shown by the number of people from the village and marina who came to his funeral.

I know he will be missed by many.

I would also like to say thank you for the generous donations left both at the Church and at the Plough for the Laser Fund at Birmingham Heartlands hospital.



Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

There will be many memories of Easter celebrated at All Saints this year. I've only got room to mention a few! On Good Friday the children's workshop (from 10am-12pm) was well supported with the younger children painting a large purple cross and the older children making items to attach to it - dice, the crown of thorns, a whip, the INRI sign, and so on. A reminder of the cruelty Jesus suffered. There was also the making of the Easter garden, and the acting of Peter's fall and rise in the drama 'Rockerty-rock!' We sang songs and ate hot cross buns. At 2.00 pm a number of us gathered around the cross for the Stations of the cross, and the choir and congregation sang unaccompanied - the hymns sounded like prayers as we reflected on what Jesus suffered for us.

On Easter morning the bells rang out! The Church was ablaze with colour, the flowers were quite breath taking! It was lovely to see more and more people coming through the Church door. The children explained the Easter garden and sang 'Celebrate' then went looking for eggs! There was a real atmosphere of worship and joy as we celebrated 'Jesus is Risen!'

Looking ahead there are plenty of events to look forward to at All Saints - please note them in your diaries!

- Family Service at 10.30am on Sunday 11th May when we will be focusing on the 'Hope and Homes' project we are supporting in Sudan - and enjoying African singing and liturgy.
- Saturday 14th June Church Summer Fete in the Rectory Garden- starting at 2pm.
- Friday 27th June Canal Folk Concert in the Church.
- Sunday 29th June - Open Air, All Age Service at Braunston Marina, 10.30am.

I hope you are enjoying the Easter holiday and finding time to relax in the glorious sunshine, (though I expect by the time this reaches you we will be experiencing another climate change!)

Best wishes, Revd Claire

Church Floodlighting

- 28th March Brian and Jean Branch
- Wedding Anniversary
- 2nd April John and Hilda Bradshaw
- 54th Wedding Anniversary
- 25th April. In loving memory of Marion Ward
- sadly missed- from Roland, David and family.

If you would like the Church spire lit up for your special event, please fill in a form that you will find at the back of the church and post with £5 into the Rectory letterbox.



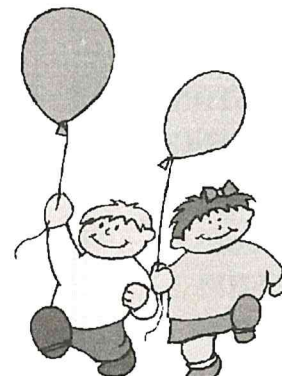
What? Little Fishers

Who? For pre-School Children and their Carers

Where? The Parish Room in All Saints Church

When? Every Monday in Term time from 2.15pm - 3.15pm

What do we do? Have lots of fun!
We sing songs, listen to stories, make things and drink squash and biscuits!



Friendly Club

Monday 12th May.

A coach trip to Leamington Spa, leaving the Green at 10.00 am. Cost £5. If anyone would like a shopping trip or a visit to the special exhibition in the park, do come and join us. Return coach leaves Leamington at 2.30 pm. To book, please phone Gill Powell on 890763 or Janet McCarthy on 890336

Tuesday 27th May.

Coffee morning with a Bring & Buy stall to raise funds for the Village Hall will be held at Janet's (19 High Street) from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon.

Open to all, please come and support us.

Braunston Women's Institute



Tuesday 6th May
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Diana Birch will come to lead us through the "Resolutions"
This month's challenge will be a 'Get Well Card'

*New members and friends welcome
Details from Mrs H. Mackichan 890881*

Braunston & District Royal British Legion



Next meeting at:
**The White Horse,
Welton on Tuesday 13th May.**

*Further details from Tony Sanderson
(890797)*

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Short Mat Bowls

Short mat bowls is a quiet social game played every Thursday afternoon in the Village Hall.

There are currently a few vacancies. There are bowls to spare and instruction could be given.

Anyone welcome

Just come along at 2.00 pm

Coach trips from Braunston

Monday 12th May Leamington
Wednesday 6th August Bourton-on-the-water. Leaving 9.30 am
Tuesday 11th November. Touchwood Centre, Solihull for Christmas shopping. Leaving at 9.30 am
To secure your seat contact Gill on 890763 or Janet on 890336

Calling all families with pre-school children

Braunston Pre-school
(Member of the Pre-school Learning Alliance and a registered charity)

invite you to an

OPEN DAY

on Wednesday 21st May

9.00 am - 12.00 noon

Try the toys, meet the staff, have fun
At Braunston Village Hall
Call 891186 for details

Council Tax Problems?

If you are on a low income and finding it difficult to pay your Council Tax you may be entitled to receive assistance. If you are unsure and would like to receive further information please contact Janet McCarthy on 890336 or Daventry District Council direct line 01327 302307 All enquiries are dealt with in strict confidentiality. Do not be afraid to ask, every year thousands of pounds worth of benefits go unclaimed.

Do you make wine or liqueurs?

If so we need your help

The Gardens Association wishes to review this section before the annual show in September.

Please telephone Kate Mawer, the show secretary, with information about the type of wines and liqueurs that you make so that we can use these ideas when planning the schedule.

Tel: 890340

Regular Events in Braunston

Mondays - (in term time) PreSchool at 9.15 - 11.45am in Village Hall

- Beavers in the Scout Den

- Cubs in the Scout Den

- Tai Chi Class, 7pm in Village Hall.

- Yoga Class, 7.30pm in Games Room at Village Hall. More info on 890105.

Tuesdays - (in term time) Pre-school group, 9am in Village Hall

(in term time) - Toddler's Group, 1.30pm in Village Hall.

- School of Dance, 3.30pm in Village Hall. More info on 890488.

Wednesdays (in term time) - Pre-school group, 9am in Village Hall

- School of Dance, 4pm in Village Hall. More info on 890488.

- School of Dance, 7.30pm in Village Hall. More info on 890488.

Thursdays - (in term time) Pre-school group, 9am in Village Hall

- Short Mat Bowls in Village Hall at 2 pm

- School of Dance, 4.30pm in Village Hall. More info on 890488.

- Bingo, 8pm in Village Hall.

Fridays - (in term time) Pre-school group, 9am in Village Hall

- Scouts in the Scout Den.

- Youth Club (9-15yrs) at 7-9pm in Village Hall